

BULLINGTON, MARTHA ANN ESPEY (1925 ~ ). Martha Ann Espey Bullington was born June 29, 1925, in Louisville, Kentucky. Her parents were Paul Espey and Bailey Burdette Espey. Martha moved to El Paso, Texas, with her parents, when she was two years old. She attended grade school and high school in El Paso, and graduated in 1942.

Martha entered the Texas College of Mines and Metallurgy, now the University of Texas at El Paso, in the fall of 1942. She was a member of the Chi Omega sorority. Martha's major was journalism and she was editor of her college newspaper. She was chosen to be a member of Alpha Chi, the small college equivalent of Phi Beta Kappa. On August 24, 1943, Martha married Tom W. Bullington, who was in the Marine Corps. She interrupted her college studies to be with her husband in California until he was sent overseas during World War II.

Martha worked as a teller for the Bank of America in Mojave and Santa Barbara, California. While Tom was overseas, she returned to college and graduated in August 1946. Martha and Tom lived in Munday, Texas for nineteen years where she was a secretary to the superintendent of schools. In 1969, Martha and her husband moved to Austin, Texas. Martha enrolled at the University of Texas at Austin, to get her teaching certificate.

In September 1969, Martha was hired by the Austin Independent School District to teach English at Lanier High School. She later became chairperson of the English Department and continued in that capacity until her retirement in 1987. Martha and Tom are the parents of two children, Janet Susan Bullington Meyer and Tom Wilson Bullington, Jr. They are the grandparents of Emily Anne Meyer Schmidt, Jonathan Mark Meyer, and Kimberly Richter Munoz all of whom are graduates of Texas A&M University.

Martha's retirement years have been busy with travel throughout the world, reading and playing duplicate bridge, where she has attained the ranking of Silver Life Master. Martha has been a member of Highland Park Baptist Church, Austin, Texas for the past 35 years.

Information provided by the Bullington Family.